

Weather Briefings

It is a legal requirement to get a weather briefing before going flying.

You can do this multiple ways:

1. By phone to the FSS is always: 1-800-WX-BRIEF (1-800-992-7433). You will need to first create an account on 1800wxbrief.com. You can also get a weather briefing on this website.
2. Online weather products: FltPlan.com, Foreflight, GarminPilot, www.aviationweather.gov

On the phone you will tell the briefer that you want a **Standard Briefing**. This is the full and complete legal briefing.

You will need to tell them:

Pilot certificate	"I'm a student pilot"
Type of flight	VFR
Aircraft Identification	N12874
Aircraft Type	Cessna 172
Cruising true airspeed	110 knots (calculated during your flight planning and found in POH)
Departure and destination airport	KRCR to KMIE
Route of flight	direct
Planned departure time	9:00 a.m. Eastern (or tell them in Zulu time: 1300Z)
Cruising altitude	3500 feet
Estimated time enroute	45 minutes
Fuel on board	4.5 hours

Note: These documents are for help and reference only and are never meant to take the place of your flight instructor. Always check with a certified flight instructor, your airplane manuals, and official FAA documentation during your flight training.